

# METHOD AND APPARATUS PROVIDING VARIABLE SPIN PAD LENGTHS

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A data storage device includes a track layout having three data sections. A first spin pad having a first length is located between a first and second data section. A second spin pad having a length that is different from the first length is located between the second data section and a third data section. A method for determining the lengths of the 10 spin pads is also provided.